Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 15 Feb 2024 until 23:59 on Friday 16 Feb 2024

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 14 Feb 2024 at 15:29 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for the timing and extent of rain on Thursday so please keep up to date with the latest forecast. High for the general story for the following days but lower confidence for timing of rain on Saturday.

Headline for Thursday 15 Feb 2024: Outbreaks of rain then becoming drier in afternoon. Breezy on the tops.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 15 Feb 2024

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Low Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Fog	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Fog	Fog	Fog	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
40%	80%	80%	70%	50%	30%	20%	20%

Forecast for Thursday 15 Feb 2024

Weather: Spells of rain overnight, heavy at times. A wet start to Thursday but the heavy rain will clear northwards early in the morning. Then cloudy with occasional rain or drizzle but becoming mainly dry during the afternoon with a little brightness possible. Mainly dry with clear spells and the odd shower in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20%, becoming 70% during evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud and fog above 500m in the morning leading to some navigation difficulties. Cloud slowly lifting and breaking in the afternoon but continuing to shroud most summits. Away from cloud, often poor in rain or drizzle, becoming good at times in the afternoon.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	19/24 SE	22/28 SE	27/33 SE	23/29 S	23/29 S	20/27 SW	17/23 SW	15/20 SW	15/20 SW
900	16/20 SE	20/25 SE	22/27 SE	18/23 S	19/24 S	16/20 S	14/18 SW	13/17 SW	13/17 SW
600	5/8 SE	8/11 SE	7/10 S	7/10 SW	8/13 SW	9/13 SW	9/13 SW	9/13 SW	7/11 W
300	2/4 N	3/5 W	2/4 N	3/7 SW	3/8 SW	4/9 SW	4/10 SW	4/10 SW	4/10 SW
Glen	2/6 S	2/6 S	2/6 W	3/11 S	4/14 SW	3/12 SW	3/11 SW	3/11 SW	3/10 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-0/-7	-0/-7	-0/-7	0/-6	1/-5	1/-5	0/-5	0/-5	0/-5
900	4/-1	5/-0	4/-1	4/-0	5/0	4/0	4/-1	4/-0	3/-1
600	4/1	5/2	4/1	5/3	6/4	6/4	6/3	5/3	5/2
300	2/1	3/2	3/2	4/3	6/5	7/6	6/5	5/4	5/3
Glen	1/0	2/1	3/2	4/3	7/6	9/7	7/6	6/4	5/4
Freezing Level*	1700m	1700m	1900m	1900m	1900m	1700m	1600m	1500m	1500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
A milder day at low levels but still feeling cold on the tops with a fresh breeze and low cloud.

Forecast for Friday 16 Feb 2024
Weather: Mainly cloudy with a few showers, wintry on the highest Munro tops. A few bright spells, mostly in the east

Maximum wind: West or Southwest 10 to 15mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60%, best chance in east.

Low cloud and visibility: Areas of cloud and fog above 600m in the morning but lifting and breaking up during the afternoon. Away from low cloud, mainly good visibility, a few km at times in showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 2C rising to 8 or 9C.
At 800m: Plus 2C.
Freezing level: Just above highest summits.

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